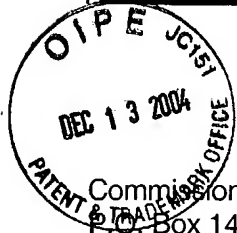


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We have reviewed the above-identified patent and have found the following errors which appear to require a Certificate of Correction:

Column 10, line 65 (Claim 1), (Application page 25, Claim 3, line 7),  
"all" should be -- an --.

Column 11, line 9 (Claim 2),  
(Amendment dated July 22, 2004, page 3, Claim 4, line 7),  
"arid" should be -- and --.

Column 11, line 19 (Claim 2),  
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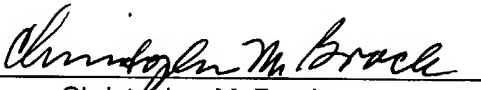
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Column 12, line 17 (Claim 5),  
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